

Sinclair
Broadcasting is
allowed - by us - to
use public airwaves,
for free. As public
servants, they must
serve the public
interest. Their
plan to force their
stations to air an
anti-Kerry program,
just days before the
election, is not a
move on behalf of
the public. It is a
blatantly partisan
ploy, from a company
that has given
millions to the
Republican party,
and refused to allow
their ABC affiliate
to air an episode of
"Nightline" that
paid tribute to our
fallen troops in
Iraq.

Where there's smoke,
there's mirrors.
Sinclair is
obviously doing this
to get more votes
for Bush,
particularly in
swing states like
Ohio. Please do not
allow Sinclair to
hijack public
airwaves in the
interest of
politics.

This is a clear
example of the
dangers of media
consolidation. I
would rather see
more local
programming in my
market, but Sinclair
would rather take
unfair advantage of
the public's gift.

We need to
strengthen media
ownership rules, not
weaken them. The
license renewal
process needs to be
more strict. The
FCC should look into
broadcasters'
histories, and make

a fair decision
whether or not they
actually serve the
public interest. At
this point, Sinclair
is not.

Thank you.